

**D – R – A – F - T**

**CRATER LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**

***20 W. Bank St.***

***Petersburg, VA 23803***

**I.** The Crater Local Human Rights Committee (Crater LHRC) held their regular meeting Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. at 20 W. Bank Street, Suite 6, Petersburg, VA 23803. The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. A quorum of members was not present.

**II. Public Comments.** There were no public comments.

**III. Roll Call**

**Members Present:**

Carol Gittman  
Joseph P. Dickens

**Members Absent:**

Ralph Anderton  
Rosa Parham

**Regional Advocate:**

James O Bowser

**Affiliates' Attendance:**

A - Adult Activity Services, **Did not attend**

A - Agapé Unlimited, Inc., Marilyn C. Newby

A - Agapé Unlimited II, Beatrice Johnson

A - ARC-Petersburg, Felicia Daniels

T – Associates in Counseling & Therapeutic Services, Rick Lupachino

T - Benchmark Residential, Clarence Dilworth

T - Blue Ridge Residential Services, LLC, Kelly Murphy

A - Dan-Poe-Dil, Inc., Clarence Dilworth

A - District 19 CSB, Ginny Travis

T - Divine Intervention Residential Services, Guirlande Dorsainville

T -Family & Community Support Systems, Kathy DeShazo

T - Greater Unity – Brean Epps

A - John Randolph Medical Center, Seressa Burgess

A - Low Ground Visions, Inc., Cynthia Batts & Chanda Batts

T - Miracles Behavioral Health Center – Monique Jackson-Woodson & Daral Wright

A - New Beginnings, Inc. – Marilyn C. Newby

T - O.L.A. Home for Boys, LLC, Valerie C. Minor

A - Phoenix-n-Peace, Inc. – Marilyn C. Newby

A - Pryor House, Joyce Brown, Jeronica Page

T - Southern Virginia Regional Medical Center, Bob Marcello

A - Southside Regional Medical Center – Inpatient & Outpatient Services, Vicki Durnford

A - T'LAB, Inc., Janine Johnson

T - Tri-City Solutions – Will Anderson

A - Visions Family Services, Dr. Denise Malone, LaShanda Powell

**IV. Approval of Minutes:** A quorum was not present to approve the minutes

**V. Regional Advocate's Comments:**

- A.** Kathy DeShazo and Mr. Bowser provided update on new Tuckahoe LHRC. They met on March 6, 2007. Three members were present. They discussed roles, duties, by-laws, and affiliation agreements. Officers were elected. Ten providers are requesting affiliation. Their next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. at Tuckahoe Library. Temporary affiliates of Crater LHRC must attend. Two potential new members will be reviewed and recommended to the State Human Rights which meets on April 21, 2007.
- B.** The Committee members received notice of the State Board Volunteer Luncheon on April 3, 2007 at 12 noon in Staunton. All LHRC members will be recognized.
- C.** The Department gathered all comments on the proposed Human Rights regulations and is reviewing them. The new regulations are anticipated sometime in the fall of 2007.

**VI. Old Business**

- A.** Affiliation Agreement Update – The revised LHRC agreement addresses attendance of affiliates at LHRC Meetings. It contains language regarding sanctions. Affiliation Agreements were distributed to all permanent affiliates.
- B.** Mrs. Gittman reported that the committee needs new members. There is not a quorum this evening, meaning they cannot vote on any issues this evening.

**VII. New Business**

- A.** The Committee would like to visit the programs. Ms. Newby volunteered to be visited first. Hours will vary and be set up individually depending on the type of program.
- B.** Miracle Behavioral Health Center presented proposed Mental Health Support Services. Information will be brought to the full committee at which time the committee will vote.
- C.** Blue Ridge Residential Services requested use of protective restraint for an individual with a physical disorder for a young man in a wheelchair. The consumer and his family have consented for safety reasons in the day program. Mr. Bowser finds it necessary and appropriate. The matter will be taken to the full committee for vote as soon as possible.

**VIII. Affiliates' Reports:** Affiliates reported complaints and allegations to the Committee. Mr. Bowser reminded affiliates that the new Affiliation Agreement means that affiliates must attend meetings or send a representative. Affiliates who are absent will be reminded of this requirement.

**IX. Other Actions:**

**A.** Visions Family Services would be happy to host a meeting with Ed Gonzalez of Medicaid for technical assistance

**B.** Mrs. Gittman wished the temporary affiliates good luck

**X. Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

---

Carol Gittman, Chair

(Date)